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Mr. John Norton Moore
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The Department of State
Washington, D. C. 20520

Dear Mr. Moore:

This is to acknowledge your thoughtful letter thanking the members of this Directorate for their work in support of the NSC Task Force's preparations for the current Law of the Sea Conference at Caracas. We are pleased that we could be of help and look forward to continuing our assistance through the next round of negotiations at Vienna.

In that connection, we have recently completed an internal survey of the impact of Law of the Sea intelligence support requirements on the resources of this Directorate. We are satisfied that we can accommodate this sort of workload in the months ahead, but are uncertain about whether the Task Force's needs will, in fact, be the same in the post-Caracas period.

I would like to propose that, at some point soon after the current talks are concluded, a meeting be held between representatives of the Task Force and this Directorate. The purpose of this meeting would be to assess, in the light of the experience of our negotiators at Caracas, the utility of the support CIA has rendered to date and to agree on requirements for the remainder of FY 1975.

Mr. John Kerry King, Director of the Office of Basic and Geographic Intelligence, is continuing as Coordinator of this Agency's efforts in support of the NSC Interagency

Task Force on the Law of the Sea. May I suggest that you consult with him at some convenient time in order to arrange for such a meeting?

With thanks again for your kind note.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Director for Intelligence

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